HUNTINGTON BEACH SOUTHEAST AREA COMMITTEE APRIL 20, 2004

<u>Attendance:</u> Cathy Green, Mayor; Gil Coerper, Councilmember; and Jill Hardy, Councilmember <u>City Staff:</u> David Biggs, Gus Duran, Jim Lamb, Todd Broussard, Dave Dominguez, and Carol Runzel Cathy Green called the meeting to order at 3:45 pm.

Public Comments:

- Jack Kirkhorn reported that the clean up requested of CalTrans between the Santa Ana riverbed and Brookhurst was not done. Staff will follow-up again with CalTrans.
- Bob Riedesel thanked the committee for adding to the agenda a report on the status of the Beachmont Shopping center
- Gary Gorman reported that street lights along Beach Blvd next to the wetlands are not being installed and encouraged follow-up before it was too late to install.
- Eric Pendergast introduced himself as the new Plant Manager at AES and wants to build a positive relationship with the community.

<u>Capital Projects Update – Southeast Coastal Redevelopment Project Area</u>

David Biggs reported that the utility undergrounding project would most likely occur during next fiscal year, although the design is in progress. The grant agreement with the Wetlands Conservancy is being drafted and will be sent to the Agency for approval as the project proceeds through the entitlement process.

Beachmont Shopping Center Update

Jim Lamb, Business Development Project Manager, provided an update on the status of the Beachmont Shopping Center located at the N/E corner of Brookhurst and Adams. The center has three different property owners who are now working together. Sav-On is an active partner and will fully rehabilitiate its building with its drive-through concept. Ralphs is working on its pre-approvals from its corporate offices on the acquisition of Albertson's site. The owners of Rally's are interested in Starbucks at that site. Mr. Riedesel, Merideth Gardens, presented his letter of encouragement to Ralphs to the committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 PM.

Notes prepared by Carol Runzel, Assistant Project Manager